GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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Supply of Renewable Energy under DDUGJY
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Minister is aware that the Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY), the rural electrification component under the Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY), does not provide an exclusive policy to develop and supply renewable energy in rural areas, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government proposes to take measures to enhance the use of renewable energy sources, including small hydro power, solar energy and biogas and launch a component under the RGGVY to strengthen rural infrastructure to promote equitable distribution and use of renewable energy in the country, so as to fulfil country''s Intended Nationally Determined Contribution (INDC) target of achieving 40% of installed capacity from renewable energy sources by 2030;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER,
COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (d) : Under Deendayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY), apart from electrification of villages/habitations through grid connectivity, there is also a provision to electrify the villages/habitations through off-grid/Decentralized Distributed Generation (DDG) through renewable sources such as biomass, bio-fuels, biogas, Mini hydro, solar etc. where grid connectivity is either not feasible or not cost effective.

Government of India has scaled up the target of renewable energy capacity to 175 GW by the year 2022, which includes 100 GW from solar, 60 GW from wind, 10 GW from bio-power and 5 GW from small hydro-power.

So far, 4604 DDG projects covering 3586 un-electrified villages and 1,87,286 BPL households have been sanctioned under DDG with the project cost of Rs.1470.64 crore.

As on 31.10.2016, 518 projects have been commissioned under DDG.

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